(b) whether Government have received any representation from the travelling public for introduction of stoppage of the above trains at Barpeta Road Railway Station; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken by Government in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Representations have been received. However, proliferation of stoppages to long distance trains decelerate such services, hence not desirable.

Container service system at Trivandrum

1819. SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that at present Trivandrum Central is not connected with container service system; and

(b) if so, by when this system is likely to be provided there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The feasibility of opening Domestic Container Service at Trivandrum Central was examined but not found financially justified due to inadequate traffic prospects.

KRANTI NAGAR slum colony on railway land in Bombay

1820. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the slum dwellers of KRANTI NAGAR on the Railway land at Kurla East in Bombay every year enter into an agreement individually with the Railway Administration for payment of rent;

(b) whether it is a fact that a representative organisation of the slum dwellers *viz.* 'KRANTI NAGAR SEVA MANDAL' has been making repeated representation to the Railway to renew the agreement and execute a single long-term agreement on behalf of all the slum-dwellers;

(c) whether it is a fact that such an arrangement will be time-saving for both the Railways and the slum-dwellers: and

(d) what steps the Railways proposes to take in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir. Agreements are executed with each individual once in five years.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) With a view to maintain Railway's control over the land and to facilitate resumption of the land when required for Railway's own use, it is not considered desirable to license the land to the Kranti Nagar Seva Mandal on a long-term basis.

Allotment of berths in A.P. Express by TTEs

1821. SHRI PUTTAPAGA RADHAKRISHNA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(b) whether it is also a fact that this A.P. Express train had arbitrarily allotted vacant berths in 2-tier AC in the way ignoring eligible minor children and a woman on 20th June, 1989;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this matter was brought to the notice of the Vigilance Cell staff who were travelling in the same train on that day; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken by Government against the concerned TTE who has flouted the rules of allotting berths to minor children and women?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The concerned TTE has been placed under suspension and major penalty proceedings have been initiated against him.

Post of Joint Commissioner (Academic) lying vacant

1822. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the post of Joint Commissioner (Academic) of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has been lying vacant;

(b) if so, since when and what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what efforts are being made to fill the post and the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) to (c) The post of Joint Commissioner (Academic) has been lying vacant since 19th August, 1987. The recruitment rules require the post to be filled up by promotion, failing which by transfer on deputation. For filling up the post by promotion, there was only one departmental candidate who became eligible for promotion on 28.8.1988. While the proceedings of the Departmental Promotion Committee which considered his promotion were under finalisation, he proceeded on retirement on attaining the age of superannuation. Action has, thereafter, been initiated to full up the post by transfer on deputation.

गंडक नदी पर रेल तथा सड़क पुलों सम्बन्धी विशेषज्ञ समिति का प्रतिवेदन

1823. श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय: क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गंडक नदी पर रेल और सड़क पुल की व्यवस्था करने की संभाव्यता की जांच करने हेतु नियुक्त विशेषज्ञ समिति द्वारा योजना आयोग को प्रस्तुत किये गये प्रतिवेदन पर क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ; और

(ख) विशेषज्ञ समिति की मुख्य सिफारिशें क्या हैं ?

रेल मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री माधवराव सिंधिया) : (क) और (ख) विशेषज्ञ समिति ने योजना आयोग को प्रस्तुत अपनी रिपोर्ट में सिफारिश की है कि छितौनी में गंडक नदी पर रेल पुल या रेल एवं सड़क पुल के निर्माण का औचित्य नहीं था । योजना आयोग ने इस सिफारिश पर सहमति प्रकट की है :

Survey of temples of archaeological importance

1824. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have undertaken any survey of old temples of archeological importance in the country;

(b) if so, what are the details of such survey;

(c) whether any temple has been identified in Madhya Pradesh by the Survey for preservation and protection by the Central Government;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) what steps have been taken by Government to implement the survey report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The temples date from the ancient to the medieval period showing use of many regional styles of sculpture and architecture reflecting diverse religious and cultural associations.

(c) A list of temples in Madhya Pradesh already identified and protected by